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REPLY TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Sir:

This paper is in response to the Election/Restriction Requirement of September 11, 2007.
Please consider the Remarks/Arguments herebelow.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action of September 11, 2007, the Examiner required election/restriction under 35 USC §§121 and 372. More specifically, the Examiner required election/restriction between:

Group I, claims 1-8 and 11-16, drawn to a recombinant nucleic acid molecule comprising a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide encoding a protein or fragment thereof having beta-glucosidase activity, a vector, host cell/plant, and host cell/plant transformation methods;

Group II, claim 9, drawn to a peptide;

Group III, claim 10, drawn to an antibody;

Group IV, claims 17-22, drawn to a method for identifying a hydrolyzed compound and the compound;

Group V, claim 23, drawn to a kit comprising a polynucleotide;

Group VI, claim 23, drawn to a kit comprising a polypeptide; and,

Group VII, claim 23, drawn to a kit comprising an antibody.

Applicants hereby provisionally elects, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-8 and 11-16, for further prosecution.